

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

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In Reply Refer to: 3HW16

Mr. Parker D. Howell, Jr., Vice President Saunders Supply Company 5969 Godwin Boulevard Suffolk, VA 23432

Saunders Supply Company Site (see enclosed map) Chuckatuck, Virginia

Dear Mr. Howell:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or the Agency) has expended public funds to investigate releases of hazardous substances at the above referenced site. This letter notifies you that EPA may spend additional public funds on action to further investigate and control these releases. Unless EPA determines that a responsible party will properly perform such actions, EPA intends to do so pursuant to Section 104 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et. seq. (CERCLA) as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Public Law 99-449, 100 Stat. 1613 (October 17, 1986) (SARA) and the National Contingency Plan, 40 C.F.R. Section 300.68. Specifically, the Agency intends to conduct or oversee a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study at the Saunders Supply Company Site, south of Routes 10 and 32, Chuckatuck, Virginia.

Under Sections 106(a) and 107(a) of CERCLA, responsible parties may be obligated to implement any needed relief actions as determined by EPA and may also be liable for all costs incurred by the government in responding to any release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the site. Such costs can include, but are not limited to, expenditures for investigation, planning, cleanup of the site, and enforcement. By this letter, EPA notifies you of your company's potential liability with regard to this matter and encourages your company to voluntarily undertake the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) which will be overseen by EPA.